

**MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON
TAX POLICY**

Tuesday, May 1, 2007

10:30 A.M.

Room 521 House Office Building

Chairman Bieda called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Reps. Bieda, Condino, Farrah, Robert Jones, Mayes, Meisner, Melton, Warren, Young, Meltzer, Sheen, Steil, Pastor, Palmer, Wenke, Calley. (16/17)

MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED: Rep. Sheltroun. (1/17)

Representative Robert Jones moved to adopt the minutes from the April 26, 2007 meeting. There being no objection, the minutes were approved.

Representative Meltzer moved to excuse absent members. There being no objection, absent members were excused.

Chairman Bieda laid **HB 4367, HB 4369, HB 4370, HB 4371** and **HB 4372** before the committee.

HB 4367	Farrah	Single business tax; replacement; Michigan business tax act; create.
HB 4369	Brown	Education; financing; exemption for certain personal property from certain school operating mills; provide for.
HB 4370	Griffin	Property tax; state education tax; tax exemption for certain industrial and commercial personal property; exempt.
HB 4371	Corriveau	Economic development; plant rehabilitation; calculation of tax levied; revise.
HB 4372	Ebli	Property tax; exemptions; commercial and industrial personal property; exempt from certain taxes.

Dan Smith, representing the Detroit Regional Chamber of Commerce, testified before the committee on the **(H-1) substitute** to **HB 4367**, as well as **HB 4369, HB 4370, HB 4371** and **HB 4372**.

Greg Nowak, representing the Detroit Regional Chamber of Commerce, testified before the committee in support of the **(H-1) substitute** to **HB 4367**.

C.J. Shroll, representing the American Subcontractors Association of West Michigan, testified before the committee in support of the **(H-1) substitute** to **HB 4367**, as well as, **HB 4369, HB 4370, HB 4371** and **HB 4372**.

Bill Anderson, representing the Michigan Townships Association, testified before the committee in support of the **(H-1) substitute** to **HB 4367**, as well as **HB 4369**, **HB 4370**, **HB 4371** and **HB 4372**.

Tom Hickson, representing the Michigan Association of Counties, testified before the committee in support of the **(H-1) substitute** to **HB 4367**.

Charlie Pryde and **Kelli Murphy**, representing Ford Motor Company, testified before the committee in support of the **(H-1) substitute** to **HB 4367**.

Michael Boulus, representing the Presidents Council, State Universities of Michigan, testified before the committee in support of the **(H-1) substitute** to **HB 4367**.

Chuck Hadden, representing the Michigan Manufacturers Association, testified before the committee in support of the **(H-1) substitute** to **HB 4367**, as well as **HB 4369**, **HB 4370**, **HB 4371** and **HB 4372**.

Gretchen Couraud, representing the Michigan Library Association, testified before the committee in support **(H-1) substitute** to **HB 4367**, as well as **HB 4369**, **HB 4370**, **HB 4371** and **HB 4372**.

The following people turned in a testimony card in support of the package of bills but did not wish to speak:

Garrett Geer, representing Dow Chemical Co.

Robert Crabb, representing the Kellogg Co.

Sharon Parks, representing the Michigan League for Human Services.

Ken Fletcher, representing the Michigan State American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations.

Don Noble, representing the Michigan Education Association.

Dale Fickle, representing himself.

Eric Skene, representing the Michigan Nonprofit Association.

There being no further business before the committee, **Chairman Bieda** declared the meeting adjourned, the time being 12:18 p.m.